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In re application of : **Mail Stop: Amendment**
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INTEGRASE INHIBITORS COMPRISING **Confirmation No. 5732**
AROMATIC HETEROCYCLE DERIVATIVES

RESPONSE

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated June 23, 2005.

The Official Action constitutes a requirement for restriction and an election of species.

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group II, claims 7-15 drawn to a product describing a compound of formula (I) or (XIIc).

As the species, Applicants elect the Compound No. H-3 listed in Table 35 on page 124 of the specification.

The following is a relationship between the species and the elected claims:

Claim 7

X is hydroxy, Y is optionally substituted heteroaryl, Z is hydrogen, Z¹ and Z³ are bonds, Z² is alkylene, R¹ is optionally substituted aryl, p is 1,

Claim 8

Y is optionally substituted heteroaryl

Claim 9

X is hydroxy, Y is optionally substituted triazolyl

Claim 10

Ring (A) is optionally substituted aromatic heterocycle containing nitrogen atom,

Claim 11

Ring (A) is optionally substituted pyridine

Claim 12

Z² is alkylene

Claim 13

Z¹ and Z³ each is independently a bond, R¹ is optionally substituted aryl

Claim 14

Z¹ is a bond, Z² is alkylene, Z³ is a bond, ring (A) is optionally substituted pyridine

Claim 15

Compound No. H-3 does not fall in the scope of claim 15.

Accordingly, claims 7-14 are readable on the elected species.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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